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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:
Alexander Michael Chagovetz
Serial No.: 09/886,313

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Atty. File No.: 46641-01010

For: METHODS FOR REAL-TIME DETECTION AND QUANTIFICATION OF NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES USING FLUORESCENT PRIMERS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Examiner:

Group Art Unit: 1645

REQUEST FOR 4 MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Applicant, through his attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) of four (4) months to respond to the Notice top File Corrected Application Papers mailed on August 21, 2001, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from first deadline October 21, 2001, to February 21, 2002.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$720.00 as payment for the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-2665.

Respectfully submitted, HOLME ROBERTS & OWEN LLP

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